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Docket No. 50875-F-PCT-US/JPW/BJA

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Graham P. Allaway et al.

Serial No.: 09/460,216

Examiner: Jeffrey S. Parkin

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For: METHOD FOR PREVENTING HIV-1 INFECTION OF CD4+ CELLS

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Sir:

PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

This Petition is submitted in connection with the Final Office Action issued June 23, 2009 by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the June 23, 2009 Final Office Action was due September 23, 2009. Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to respond. The fee for a three-month extension of time for a small entity is FIVE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$555.00), and a check for this amount is enclosed. With a three-month extension of time, a response to the June 23, 2009 Final Office Action is now due December 23, 2009.

Accordingly, this Petition is being timely filed.

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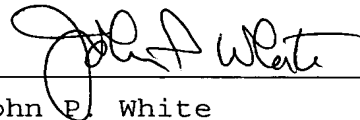
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If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the subject application, applicants' undersigned attorney invites the Examiner to telephone him at the number provided below.

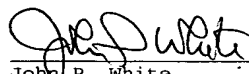
No fee, other than the enclosed \$555.00 for a three-month extension of time, is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Petition. However, if an additional fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of any such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

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